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Brine Spill Reported In Bottineau County

BISMARCK, N.D. – The North Dakota Department of Health (NDDoH) has been notified of a brine spill at an injection well site owned by Denbury Onshore in Bottineau County. The spill occurred as a result of a failed pipe fitting.

Initial estimates indicate approximately 1000 barrels of salt brine were released, with approximately 100 barrels escaping the site into a neighboring wetland. A temporary berm has been constructed to prevent additional fluid from reaching the wetland. About 700 barrels of brine have been recovered.

Inspectors from the NDDoH and the Oil and Gas Division have been on location. Samples have been collected by NDDoH for testing, according to Kris Roberts, Environmental Response Team Leader with the Environmental Health Section of the NDDoH. Further assessment and remediation activities will be coordinated between the state and the owners of the site.

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